UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF PUERTO RICO

In re:

THE FINANCIAL OVERSIGHT AND MANAGEMENT BOARD FOR PUERTO RICO,

as representative of

THE COMMONWEALTH OF PUERTO RICO, et al.,

Debtors.¹

PROMESA Title III

No. 17 BK 3283-LTS

(Jointly Administered)

NOTICE OF CORRESPONDENCE REGARDING THE SEVENTY-NINTH OMNIBUS OBJECTION (NON-SUBSTANTIVE) OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PUERTO RICO, PUERTO RICO HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY, AND EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PUERTO RICO TO INDIVIDUAL PROOF OF CLAIM NO. 63394.

To the Honorable United States District Judge Laura Taylor Swain:

1. On October 24, 2019, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico (the "Commonwealth"), the Puerto Rico Highways and Transportation Authority ("HTA"), and the Employees Retirement System of the Government of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico ("ERS"), by and through the Financial Oversight and Management Board for Puerto Rico (the "Oversight Board"), as the sole representative of the Commonwealth, HTA and ERS (collectively, the "Debtors") pursuant to Section 315(b) of the *Puerto Rico Oversight, Management, and Economic Stability Act*

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The Debtors in these Title III Cases, along with each Debtor's respective Title III case number and the last four (4) digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification number, as applicable, are the (i) Commonwealth of Puerto Rico (Bankruptcy Case No. 17-BK-3283- LTS) (Last Four Digits of Federal Tax ID: 3481); (ii) Puerto Rico Sales Tax Financing Corporation ("COFINA") (Bankruptcy Case No. 17-BK-3284-LTS) (Last Four Digits of Federal Tax ID: 8474); (iii) Puerto Rico Highways and Transportation Authority ("HTA") (Bankruptcy Case No. 17-BK-3567-LTS) (Last Four Digits of Federal Tax ID: 3808); (iv) Employees Retirement System of the Government of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico ("ERS") (Bankruptcy Case No. 17-BK-3566-LTS) (Last Four Digits of Federal Tax ID: 9686); (v) Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority ("PREPA") (Bankruptcy Case No. 17-BK-4780-LTS) (Last Four Digits of Federal Tax ID: 3747); and (vi) Puerto Rico Public Buildings Authority ("PBA") (Bankruptcy Case No. 19-BK-5523-LTS) (Last Four Digits of Federal Tax ID: 3801) (Title III case numbers are listed as Bankruptcy Case numbers due to software limitations).

("PROMESA"),² filed the Seventy-Ninth Omnibus Objection of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, Puerto Rico Highways and Transportation Authority, and Employees Retirement System of the Government of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico to Deficient Claims Asserting Interests Based on Salary Demands, Employment, or Services Provided (the "Seventy-Ninth Omnibus") to various proofs of claim.

- 2. The Seventy-Ninth Omnibus Objection seeks to disallow certain deficient claims (the "<u>Deficient Claims</u>") which purport to assert liabilities arising from salary or other compensation owed in connection with employment, pensions, or services provided by the claimant, but fail to provide critical information, such as the specific services provided, the salary accrued but unpaid, or other information needed to understand what liabilities any of the Commonwealth, HTA, ERS, or any other Title III Debtor may owe.
- 3. The Debtors received the attached correspondence from Teobaldo Cuevas ("<u>Cuevas</u>"), a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A (the "<u>Cuevas Response</u>"), regarding Proof of Claim No. 63394 (the "<u>Cuevas Claim</u>"). A certified translation of the Cuevas Response is attached hereto as Exhibit A-1.
- 4. The Cuevas Response contains a copy of a completed Mailing,³ which, as set forth in the Seventy-Ninth Omnibus Objection, was mailed to claimants whose claims did not provide critical information, such as the specific services provided, the salary accrued but unpaid, or other information needed to understand what liabilities the Commonwealth, HTA, ERS, or any other Title III debtor might owe. The Cuevas Response contains several pages from the Seventy-Ninth Omnibus Objection, but does not contain any additional information in support of the Cuevas

² PROMESA is codified at 48 U.S.C. §§ 2101-2241.

³ Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Seventy-Ninth Omnibus Objection.

Claim.

5. Accordingly, the Debtors respectfully request that the Court grant the Seventy-

Ninth Omnibus Objection and disallow the Claims.

Dated: October 22, 2020 San Juan, Puerto Rico Respectfully submitted,

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